GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVANTS - Revenue Department - Allegation of corruption against Sri T. Johnson, RDO (Retd), Nagarkurnool Division, Mahabubnagar - Trapped on 24.4.2009 - Charge Sheet filed - Convicted - Punishment of Withholding of pension and gratuity in full and permanently - Imposed - Orders - Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 15

Dated: 27-02-2020
Read the following:

- 1. From the DG, ACB, Hyderabad, Rc. No. 84/RCT-CR-HRG/2009, dt, 26.5.2010.
- 2. From the Hon'ble I Addl.Spl.Judge for SPE & ACB Cases-cum-V Addl.Chief Judge, CCC, Hyderabad, FAC Spl.Judge under prevention of Corruption Act etc., Nampally, Hyderabad, judgment dated 29.03.2018.
- 3. From the Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad, Rc.No.84/RCT-CR-HRG/2009,dt.21.06.2018, 31.01.2019 & 06.11.2019.

ORDER:

Whereas, it was brought to the notice of the Government that Sri T.Johnson, R.D.O., (now Retd.) Nagarkurnool Division, Mahabubnagar district was trapped by the ACB Authorities on 24.04.2009, when he demanded and accepted the bribe amount of Rs.20,000/- from the complainant through Accused-2 for showing an official favor for according permission under NALA Act for conversion of agriculture land into residential plots, admeasuring Ac.2.00 in Sy.No.251/A of Varidela, Kollapur town which stands in the name of complainant's mother Smt. Pabba Sarojamma. After completion of investigation, the DG, ACB, Hyderabad has furnished the final report and recommended for prosecution and departmental action for violation of Rule 3 (1) (2) and 9(7) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 r/w Rule 9 of APRP Rules, 1980. Further, the DG, ACB has informed that since the AO1 (RDO) retired from service on 30.09.2009 and the A-2 is a private Driver to AO-1, who is a private person, no sanction orders for prosecuting them in a Court of Law are required from the Government. Charge sheet is being filed against AO-1 and A-2 by the Bureau vide reference 1st read above.

- In the reference 2nd read above, the Hon'ble I Addl.Spl.Judge for SPE &ACB Cases-cum-V Addl.Chief Judge, CCC, Hyderabad, FAC Spl.Judge under prevention of Corruption Act etc., Nampally, Hyderabad pronounced the Judgment on 29.3.2018 and convicted the A.O.1 Sri T.Johnson, RDO, Division, Mahabubnagar District and sentenced him to undergo rigorous imprisonment for one year and also to pay a fine of Rs.5000/- and in default of payment of fine amount he shall undergo simple imprisonment for(3) months for the offence u/s 7 of the PC Act. The Hon'ble I Addl.Spl.Judge for SPE &ACB Cases -cum-V Addl.Chief judge, CCC Hyderabad, FAC Spl.Judge under Prevention of Corruption Act etc., Nampally Hyderabad, also sentenced him to undergo rigorous imprisonment for one year and also to pay a fine of Rs.5,000/- in default of payment of fine amount, he shall undergo simple imprisonment for (3) months for the offence u/s 13(2) r/w 13(1)(d) of the P.C Act,1988. Both the sentences were ordered to run concurrently. Further informed that the A.O-1 was retired from the service on 30.9.2009 on attaining the age of Superannuation and requested to take immediate action to withhold the pentionery benefits of the A.O-1 Sri T. Johnson, RDO (Retd), Nagarkurnool Division, Mahabubnagar District and gratuity in full permanatley under the T.S Revised Pension Rules, 1980 as he was convicted in a criminal case vide reference 3rd read above.
- 3. The conduct leading to the conviction on the criminal charge constitutes grave misconduct on the part of Sri T. Johnson, RDO (Retd), Nagarkurnool Division, Mahabubnagar (now retired) and the penalty that should be imposed in a proven case of corruption, bribery, misappropriation, bigamy, moral turpitude, forgery and outraging the modesty of women, is dismissal from service as per the proviso to clause X of Rule 9 of TCS (CC&A) Rule 1991 and as stipulated in G.O.MS.No.2 General Administration (Ser.C) Department, dt.04.01.99. The misconduct established against Sri T. Johnson, RDO (Retd), Nagarkurnool Division, Mahabubnagar by his conviction on a criminal charge is grave and calls for imposition of the penalty of withholding of pension and gratuity in full permanently, as per the instructions issued in Memo.No.178/SPl.c/2003-1, dt:7-05-2013.

- 4. Government after careful examination of the matter, keeping in view the provisions of sub-rule (1) of rule (9) of the Telangana Revised Pension Rules, 1980 (according to which there is no necessity to issue show cause notice to the Accused Officer in criminal conviction cases) hereby impose the punishment of withholding of pension and gratuity in full and permanently on Sri T. Johnson, RDO (Retd), Nagarkurnool Division, Mahabubnagar under rule 9(1) read with rule (8)(2) of the Telangana Revised Pension Rules, 1980 for the conduct which has led to his conviction.
- 5. The District Collector, Nagarkurnool /the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Telagana State, Hyderabad shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

SOMESH KUMAR CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri T. Johnson, RDO (Retd.,), Nagarkurnool Division, Mahabubnagar District.

The District Collector, Nagarkurnool (With a request to serve original G.O. on the Charged Officer with dated signature and return the same for record.)

The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Telangana, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The Accountant General, Telangana State, Hyderabad.

The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Telangana, Hyderabad.

The Vigilance Commissioner, Telangana Vigilance Commission, Hyderabad. SF/SC.

//FORWARDED::BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER